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Sir:

On March 25, 2003 the undersigned submitted an Updated Information Disclosure Statement. Entry was refused in Paper No. 22 mailed April 23, 2003. Applicants hereby renew their request for the consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement.

Each reference cited on the PTO-1449 is already of record and has already been considered by the same examiner in corresponding Divisional Patent Application serial number 10/260,871. The purpose of this submission is to assure that all of the references formally considered in this parent application and its Divisional are the same. In addition, U.S. 5,504,042 CHO, ET AL.; U.S. 5,523,615 to CHO, ET AL and U.S. 5,561,318 GNADE, ET AL. were first cited by the examiner in a paper mailed on March 17, 2003 which is not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. U.S. 5,548,159 to Jeng and EP 0 701 277 are of record in the Divisional case but have not been applied to form a rejection.

The undersigned wishes to update this file by citing the references enumerated on the enclosed PTO 1449. Should the Commissioner determine that the \$180.00 Information Disclosure Statement fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No.01-1125.

Respectfully submitted,

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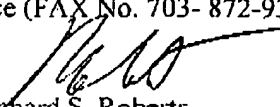
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